



Invisible Men — A real good read

Overtime
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THE HISTORY OF BASEBALL is a rich and full one. It reaches back into the American lifestyle like none other. The names of Ruth, Cobb, and Wagner are common in baseball history books and are well known to all baseball fans.

Rube Foster, Ted Page, Cool Papa Bell, and Effa Manley may not be well-known names, but definitely have a strong and lasting place in the history of the sport the Americans call their "National Pastime."

To find out more about these men and women one should read *Invisible Men — Life in Baseball's Negro Leagues* by Don Rogosin (Atheneum, \$11.95).

The book gives one of the best-written and researched accounts of the Negro leagues to date. The detail and description Rogosin displays is truly unsurpassed in sports books and compels the reader to press on.

Invisible Men starts with how the Negro leagues effected so-called "organized baseball" and works its way through the famous names, places, and events that shaped, sustained, and eventually ended the leagues that are not known nearly as well as they should be.

"Gradually Negro leaguers realized that they possessed a distinctive style of baseball. The central difference stemmed from the

Negro leagues' emphasis on speed and its rejection of the Babe Ruth-inspired long-ball game."

The above quote is taken from a chapter entitled "The Cult of Professionalism". From it one learns not only about the Negro Leagues, but about baseball and how the game should be played.

The book discusses the Latin Connection and how these players made it into the big leagues before the black players, not because of their superior talent, but because of their lighter skin.

Invisible Men also discusses the travel the teams did, and the racism they encountered that forced them to create their own leagues.

Invisible Men has interesting and often humorous anecdotes about the times the players had and enjoyed. The reader can easily see through this book that one of the differences between the Negro leagues and the other leagues was that these men were not only often better than their white counterparts but had much more fun with baseball than the high-priced white players ever had.

The book does not dwell on any particular aspect for any serious length of time and in its 220 pages touches all bases needed for an inside-the-park home run.

On a scale of one to ten, *Invisible Men* rates a clear ten.

Women make playoffs

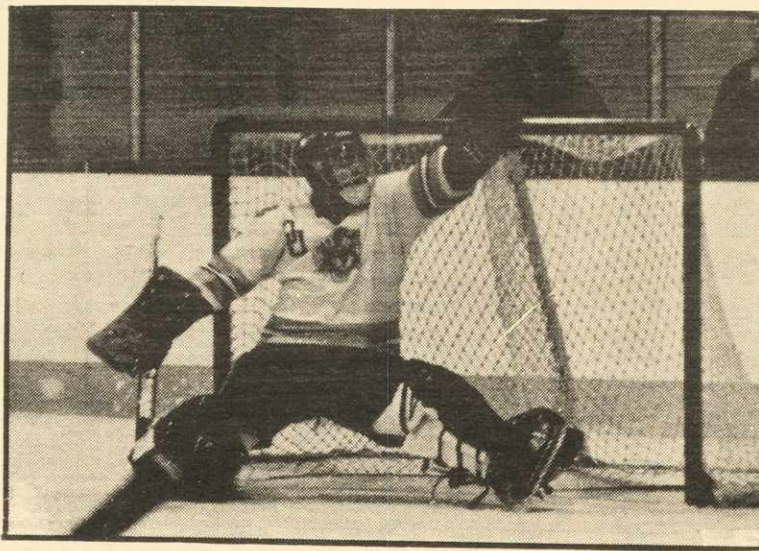
THE DALHOUSIE TIGERS women's basketball team completed the 1985-86 AUSA regular season on Saturday with a victory over their crosstown rivals from St. Mary's University.

The Tigers built up a 38-27 halftime lead and then coasted to a 70-57 win over the Belles. It was Dalhousie's seventh straight victory and left the Tigers with a 10-4 mark on the season. Dalhousie finished third in the AUSA and will advance to the AUSA playoffs next weekend.

Dalhousie received 51 of their 70 points from three players, with Kathy MacCormack scoring 18, Lisa Briggs netting 17, and Peggy Johnson adding 16.

For the Belles, who placed eighth in the standings, Michele Gaunce and Sandra Mumford scored 19 and 15 points respectively.

Briggs and MacCormack finished one and two on the Tigers' scoring list with a game average of 14 and 13.9 respectively.



Peter Abric stopped several Acadia shots on goal. Early in the second period, however, he pulled a leg muscle and had to sit out the remainder of the game. Photo by Sean Forbes, Dal Photo.

Hockey Tigers win

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THEY PLAYED AT HOME, they played away, and broke out of a short-lived two-game losing streak.

The Dalhousie men's hockey team won two weekend games and in so doing secured their hold on first place in the Kelly Division with a record of 16-7.

On Friday night Dal dropped Saint Mary's 10-5 and Saturday afternoon they downed Acadia 5-2.

On Friday night the Tigers went across town to the Saint Mary's rink and set a few records.

The first record was provided by Dal's win, which gave Saint Mary's the worst record in the history of the Atlantic University

Hockey Conference at 0-24-0. The mark surpasses the 1973-74 St. Thomas record of 0-22-0.

The game also saw Dal captain Neal Megannety earn his 100th and 101st points. Kevin Quartermain broke out of a small slump and scored his 20th point of the season.

Kevin Reynolds racked up three goals against St. Mary's. Jerry Scott scored twice while Whitney Richardson, Brian McDonald, Jerry Delaney, Quartermain, and Jasmin Breton all had a goal apiece.

On Saturday afternoon it took almost a period and a half for the puck to find the net but when it did it found it again and again. Scott drew first blood for the Tigers in the second period. Four

minutes later, Breton scored, followed a minute and a half later with an unassisted goal by Delaney. Picking up the assists on Scott's goal were Reynolds and Terry Crowe, while Delaney and Jay Innes assisted on the Breton's marker.

Early in the third period, Tiger goalie Peter Abric left the game due to a pulled muscle, putting Rick Reusse in goal. In all Abric stopped 33 shots.

In the third frame both the Tigers and the Axemen scored twice. Greg Royce scored at the 2:46 mark while Quartermain scored at the 2:59 mark.

Scoring for Acadia was the league's fifth-best scorer, Craig Kitchener, with 11 minutes left. Andy Halping added another tally a few minutes later.

Dalhousie coach Darrell Young said the weekend wins are just the way the Dal squad has fun.

"We had two losses last week and the boys were kind of tight. Last night against St. Mary's I said just go out there and have fun and have a good time. Against Acadia it was the same thing, they were loose and we won."

Once again the Dalhousie power play had its chance but failed to capitalize, however, Young doesn't see it as a major problem.

"Most teams win with their powerplay and our powerplay hasn't been too successful, but we're still winning. It's something we're going to have to work on before we go into the playoffs."

AUAAs at Dalplex

THE DALPLEX POOL WILL be the site of plenty of swimming action this weekend as Dalhousie University hosts the AUSA Swimming Championships on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

The event will feature five AUSA schools and a total of ten teams competing in 32 events.

The participating schools, each of which are entering a men's and women's team, include the University of New Brunswick, Mount Allison University, Memorial University, Acadia University and the host squads from Dalhousie.

Thursday's action will commence at 10:30 a.m. with the

qualifying heats in the 400M Freestyle, 200M Individual Medley, 50M Freestyle and the 400M Medley Relay. The finals for these events are set for 6:30 p.m. on Thursday evening.

On Friday, the 10:30 a.m. heats and the 6:30 p.m. finals will be held for the 400M Individual Medley, the 200M Freestyle, the 100M Butterfly, the 100M Breaststroke, the 100M Backstroke and the 800M Freestyle Relay.

The meet concludes on Saturday with the 800/1500M Freestyle, the 100M Freestyle, and the 200M Backstroke, the 200M Breaststroke, the 200M Butterfly and the 400M Freestyle Relay

events at the same times as the previous two days.

Both Dalhousie teams enter the championship undefeated in AUSA competition this year. Each Dalhousie team had a perfect 8-0 record in AUSA Dual Meets while they captured top spots in two AUSA Invitationals and the AUSA Relay Invitational.

In the men's conference, UNB and Memorial tied for second place at 5-3 while Mount Allison and Acadia finished 2-6 and 0-8 respectively.

On the women's side, Mount Allison and UNB tied at 5-3, followed by Memorial and Acadia at 1-7.

Tigers close out regular season

The Dalhousie Tigers men's volleyball team had its streak of 44 consecutive victories in AUSA Conference and playoff play come to an abrupt halt on Saturday, Feb. 15, as the Tigers went down to defeat 15-9, 11-15, 15-13, 15-11 to the University of Moncton in an AUSA league tournament match at UNB. The Tigers' last loss in AUSA play was against Memorial on Nov. 19, 1983.

On Sunday the Tigers split a pair of matches. Dalhousie defeated Memorial 15-10, 15-2, 16-14, but lost to UNB 9-15, 15-6, 15-13, 11-15, and 15-13.

The weekend leaves the Tigers in first place in the conference with a 14-2 record.

Individually the Tigers were led by Brian Rourke with 48 kills, 21 blocks and seven ace serves. Brian Johnstone had 21 kills, five

blocks and one ace serve, Travis Murphy had 26 kills, 18 blocks, and three ace serves, Steve Noseworthy had 28 kills, seven blocks and three ace serves, Chris Lohnes had 37 kills and seven blocks, and Scott Drysdale had six kills and five blocks.

The Tigers will complete the regular season this weekend with two home games at the Dalplex against UNB at 7 p.m. on Friday, and 1 p.m. on Saturday.

Tigers sports this week

Date	Sport	Against	Place	Time
Feb 20-2	Swimming	AUSA Ch.	Home	
Feb 21	Volleyball (M)	UNB	Home	7 pm
Feb 21	Hockey	Acadia	Away	7:30 pm
Feb 22	Volleyball (M)	UNB	Home	1 pm
Feb 22	Volleyball (W)	UdM	Home	3 pm
Feb 22-3	T & F	AUSA Ch.	UdM	